



## Iowa Range

statewide

## Bibliography

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## chlorella

*Chlorella* spp.

Kingdom: Protista  
Division/Phylum: Chlorophyta

## Features

Chlorella is a single-celled green algae. Several cells may be clumped together or single cells may be among other kinds of algae. Large concentrations of Chlorella can give the water a musty odor.

## Natural History

Chlorella is found in a variety of waters, especially those with a lot of nutrients. Massive growth of Chlorella may indicate organic pollution. Chlorella produces its own food by the process of photosynthesis. It reproduces asexually by cell division.

## Habitats

Mississippi River; Missouri River; interior rivers and streams; constructed lakes, ponds, and reservoirs; natural lakes and prairie marshes; wet prairies and fens; bottomland forests

## Iowa Status

common, native